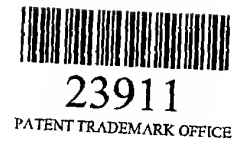




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Transmitted herewith for filing is a Continuation-In-Part application of pending U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/497,129, filed February 3, 2000 of:

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entitled: **WAVEGUIDE PLATE AND PROCESS FOR ITS PRODUCTION AND MICROTITRE PLATE**

Enclosed are:

1. Specification, including 92 claims (pages 76, plus specification front page).
2. Nine Sheets of X Formal Informal drawings showing Figs. 1-15.
3. X Declaration and Power of Attorney (**unexecuted**).
4. Priority is being claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119 and 37 C.F.R. §1.55 based on Priority Document CH 2000/160/00, filed in Switzerland on January 27, 2000. A certified copy of the priority document was filed in parent application Serial No. 09/497,129.
5. Benefit is hereby claimed under 35 U.S.C. §120 of pending U.S. patent application Serial No. 09/497,129 filed on February, 3, 2000.

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